GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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GAS AGENCIES IN UTTAR PRADESH
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of gas agencies allotted in Uttar Pradesh during each of the last three years ;

(b) whether the Government is contemplating to open more gas agencies in rural and urban areas of Uttar Pradesh ;

(c) if so, the locations thereof ; and

(d) the time by which these gas agencies are likely to be opened ?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS & PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) : The total number of LPG distributorships allotted in Uttar Pradesh by Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) during last three years is as under :-

Year	Number of distributorships allotted in Uttar Pradesh
2001-02	210
2002-03	65
2003-04	58

(b) to (d) : Government have given freedom to OMCs to set up LPG distributorships in accordance with their commercial considerations. However, as a matter of policy, Government have advised OMCs to concentrate on semi-urban / rural areas for opening of new LPG distributorships. The commissioning of LPG distributorships depends upon various factors such as identification of viable locations, release of advertisements, conducting interviews, ability of the candidate to secure land for godown, showroom etc.